

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Examiner's Action mailed July 12, 2006, in which claims 4-8 were allowed over the prior art of record.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the comments set forth below.

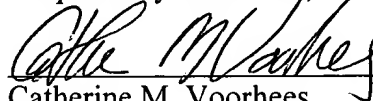
By this Amendment, claims 1-2 and 9 are canceled. Accordingly, indicated allowed claims 4-8 are pending in the present application.

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully requested that a Notice of Allowance be issued indicating that claims 4-8 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Should the Examiner believe that a conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned counsel to arrange such a conference.

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Respectfully submitted,



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